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THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

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Dear Cliff:

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I want you to know of my great appreciation for the work you are doing in the Comptroller's Office. I know what a decision it must have been for you to move away from the Clandestine Service you served so well over the years and to undertake new and different responsibilities in a new and different field. As in the case of all of our very best professionals, your learning time was on the order of minutes (I might go so far to say that it could have been days, but certainly no more).

The kind of presentation that took place yesterday with regard to the 1977 Budget is a clear reflection of your ability. Without people like you who are willing to take a flyer in an unknown and strange environment, I frankly don't know how this Agency could proceed into the future it faces. My days are busy ones and seldom present opportunities to say face-to-face, to so many like you, what I really feel. But in your case, let me say we are all very grateful.

Faithfully yours,

E. H. Knoche

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